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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an Amendment C for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is a small entity.

EXTENSION OF TERM

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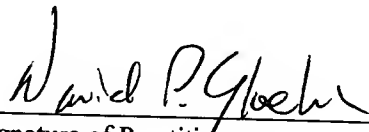
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